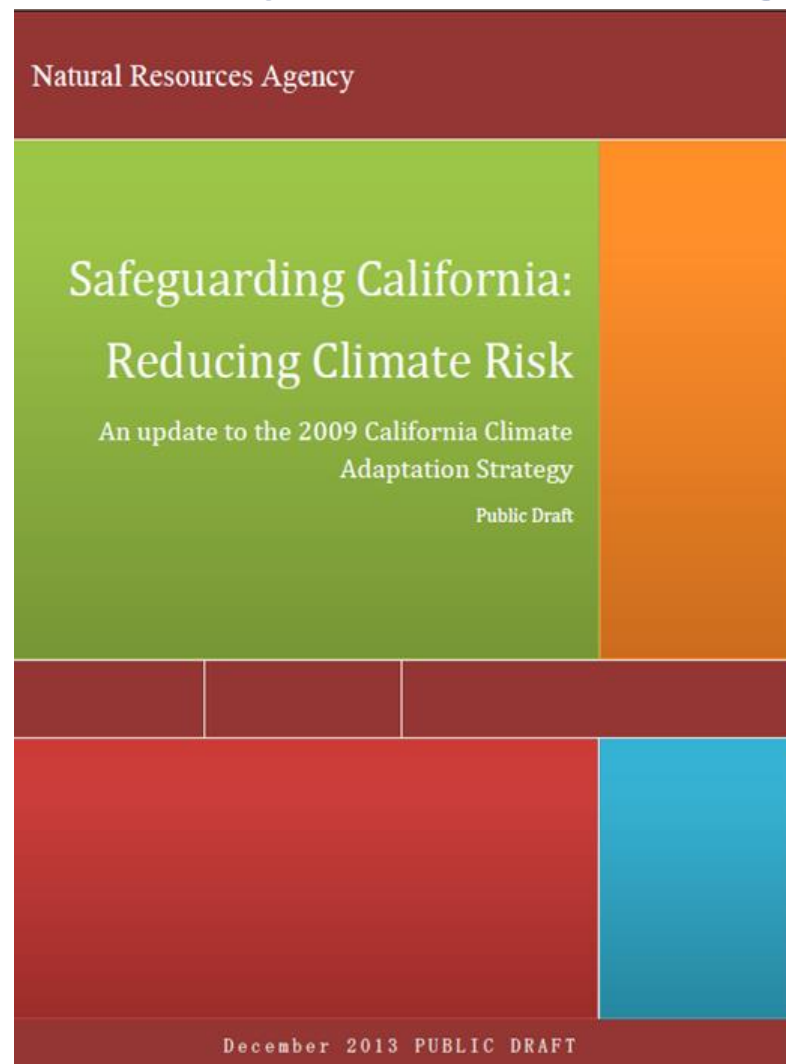


Safeguarding California: Reducing Climate Risk

An Update to the 2009 Climate Adaptation Strategy

**Short review of PH Chapter prior
to close of comments on 2/28**

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Review of Public Health Chapter

Recommendations for Actions to improve readiness/ Highlights

- Promote Better Understanding of Climate Impacts on Public Health
 - Expand Local Vulnerability Assessments
 - Engage local PH depts and community partners including vulnerable communities to understand impacts and needs that can be used to set planning priorities.
 - Increase Capacity to Monitor Climate-related death and illness
 - Regional studies of Aeroallergens

Improve Capacity of Communities to Prepare, Respond and Recover from Climate-related Health Risks

- Planning for climate and water-related PH Risks
- Evaluate Health Care Infrastructure Resilience
- Support implementation in Extreme Heat Guidance
- Support Development of Local PH Planning Tools
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Improve Understanding of Trends that Impact PH

- Promote the use of healthy building guidance (EPA, CEC and Healthy Homes) in the state energy efficiency efforts.
- Address health co-benefits and risks in urban greening – use of low and no allergen species in regional and local strategies

Climate and Health Information Sharing and Education

- Capacity building to raise awareness and foster action to address climate risks and public health
- Public education to help reduce and prepare for climate health risks
 - Develop pilot climate education and communication efforts using health framing that can promote action